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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

Delete page 2, line 19 to page 4, line 24 and insert

-- ~~In general, in an aspect, the invention features a method of monitoring network.~~

events including processing network events in service monitors, integrating the processed network events from each of the service monitors in domain monitors and correlating the integrated network events from each of the domain monitors in an enterprise monitor.

Embodiments may include one or more of the following. Network events monitored may include any single event or combination of events including data transfer commands, data transfer errors, network packet data transfer volume, network connection requests, network connection denials, correlation of network connection requests and network connection denials, rejected packet error codes and privilege error codes. Service monitors are strategically placed within networks that make up domains. Domain monitors are strategically placed within domains contained within an enterprise. Correlation involves filtering and summarizing.

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